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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Woodard, et al.  
Appl. No. : 10/634,211  
Filed : August 5, 2003  
For : ROTARY PUMP WITH EXCLUSIVELY  
HYDRODYNAMICALLY SUSPENDED IMPELLER  
Examiner : White, Dwayne J  
Group Art Unit : 3745

**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 30, 2004, please reconsider the above-identified patent application amended as follows and in light of the following remarks.